COUNTY OF ERIE

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LOCAL LAW NO. 6

LOCAL LAW INTRO. NO. NO. -200

A LOCAL LAW consolidating certain functions and duties of the Department of Youth Services with the Department of Health and Probation Department.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF ERIE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Declaration of Purpose. The Legislature recognizes the special needs of many youths and adults in the County, and further recognizes that through a reorganization of the Departments of Health, Youth Services and Probation, the needs of these youths and adults can be provided in a more effective and efficient manner.

Section 2. Local Law No. 1-1959, constituting the Erie County Charter, as amended, is hereby amended as follows:

a. Article V is hereby amended by adding Section 506 which shall read as follows:

Section 506. Division of Services to Persons with Special Needs; deputy commissioner. There shall be in the Department a Division of Services to Persons with Special Needs, headed by a deputy commissioner. The deputy commissioner shall be appointed by the commissioner and serve at the commissioner's pleasure. The deputy commissioner shall insure the continuance of beneficial programs and implement additional services in the County for adults and youths with special developmental and medical needs.

b. Section 11-F-01 of Article XI-F, entitled "Department of Youth Services" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Section 11-F-01. Department of Youth Services; commissioner. There shall be a department of youth services, hereinafter to be known as the "Erie County Youth Bureau", the head of which shall be the commissioner. The commissioner of said department shall be appointed by and shall serve at the pleasure of the county executive. The commissioner may, within the appropriations provided therefor, appoint to serve at his pleasure, such deputies, assistant deputies and other employees as he may deem necessary for the performance of his duties.

- c. Subsection "a" of Section 11-F-02 of Article XI-F, entitled "Department of Youth Services" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:
 - a. Act as a local administrative officer for planning, coordination, and management of services for youth in cooperation with the county executive and the county legislature.

d. Section 1606 of Article XVI is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Section 1606. Department of Probation and Youth Detention. There shall be a Department of Probation and Youth Detention headed by a director who shall be appointed by the county executive, subject to confirmation by the county legislature. Within said department there shall be a Probation Division and a Youth Detention Division, each headed by a deputy director.

Section 3. Local Law No. 1-1960, constituting the Erie County Administrative Code, as amended, is hereby amended as follows:

Section 16.06 of Article 16 is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Section 16.06. Department of Probation and Youth Detention; director. The Department of Probation and Youth Detention shall be headed by a director who shall be appointed on the basis of his administrative experience and his qualifications for the duties of his office. The director shall have and exercise all the powers and duties now or hereafter conferred or imposed upon him by the county charter, by this code, by order or direction of the county executive, or by any other applicable law, not inconsistent with the county charter or this code. The director shall appoint, to serve at his pleasure, a deputy director of the Probation Division and a deputy director for the Youth Detention Division.

- a. Probation Division. The Probation Division shall be headed by a deputy director of probation who shall be appointed on the basis of his administrative experience and his qualifications for the duties of his office. The deputy director of probation shall have and exercise all the powers and duties now or hereafter conferred or imposed upon him by the county charter, by this code, by order or direction of the county executive and/or the director of probation and youth detention, by article twelve-A of the executive law as head of a county probation department, and by any other applicable section thereof or by any other applicable law, not inconsistent with the county charter or this code.
- b. Youth Detention Division. The Youth Detention Division shall be headed by a deputy director of youth detention who shall be appointed on the basis of his experience and his qualifications for the duties of his office. The deputy director shall have and exercise all the powers and duties now or hereafter conferred or imposed upon him by the county charter, by this code, by order or direction of the county executive and/or the director of probation and youth detention, or by any other applicable law, not inconsistent with the county charter or this code.

Section 4. This local law shall be effective upon the latter of (1) filing with the Secretary of State pursuant to Section 27 of the New York Municipal Home Rule Law, or (2) January 1, 2002.

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